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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Attorney Docket No. 080398.P237C
(maximum 12 characters)First Named Inventor Armin Walter BruderlinTitle: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR THE DIGITAL CREATION OF FUR EFFECTSExpress Mail Label No. EL371006336US

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Washington, D. C. 20231

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. Applicant Claims Small Entity Status. (37 CFR 1.27)
3. Specification (Total Pages 29)
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive Title of the Invention
 - Cross Reference to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. Drawings(s) (35 USC 113) (Total Sheets 21)
5. Oath or Declaration (Total Pages 5)
 - a. Newly Executed (Original or Copy)
 - b. Copy from a Prior Application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
(for Continuation/Divisional with Box 18 completed)
 - i. DELETIONS OF INVENTOR(S) Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
 - c. Unsigned.
6. Application Data Sheet. (37 CFR 1.76)
7. CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
(if applicable, all necessary)
 - a. Computer Readable Form (CRF)
 - b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
 - i. CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
 - ii. paper
 - c. Statement verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & documents(s))
10. Separate 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (where there is an assignee)
 Power of Attorney
11. English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. a. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449
 b. Copies of IDS Citations
13. Preliminary Amendment
14. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
15. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
16. Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
17. Other: _____

18A. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:

Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-part (CIP)
Of Prior Application No.: 09/370,104 Examiner M. Good Johnson Group Art Unit 2672
(which is a continuation/ divisional/ CIP of prior application no. _____,
which is a continuation/ divisional/ CIP of prior application no. _____) (List entire chain of priority)

Applicant(s): Also include a Preliminary Amendment to amend the specification to claim priority.
For CONTINUATION AND DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

18B. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) for continuing application:

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT FOR CONTINUING APPLICATION
(CONTINUATION, DIVISIONAL, OR CONTINUATION-IN-PART)**

First Named Inventor Armin Walter Bruderlin

Title METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR THE DIGITAL CREATION OF FUR EFFECTS

Attorney Docket No. 080398.P237C

Parent Application:

First Named Inventor Armin Walter Bruderlin

Title METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR THE DIGITAL CREATION OF FUR EFFECTS

Application No. 09/370,104 Examiner: Motilewa Good Johnson

Filing Date August 6, 1999 Group Art Unit: 2672

Applicant(s): If the present patent application is a Continuation, Divisional, or Continuation-In-Part application under 37 CFR § 53(b) of a parent application, then submit this Preliminary Amendment to the PTO. Please insert the appropriate claim for priority, listing the entire chain of priority.

To: Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please enter the following preliminary amendment for the present patent application.

At page 2, after the title, at line 1 please insert the following:

The present patent application is a continuation of and claims priority to application no. 09/370,104 filed August 6, 1999, entitled METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR THE DIGITAL CREATION OF FUR EFFECTS.

January 16, 2002

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Examiner Name Motilewa Good Johnson
Attorney Docket No. 80398.P237C

METHOD OF PAYMENT (check one)

1. [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any over payments to:

Deposit Account Number 02-2666
Deposit Account Name _____

- Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17

- [] Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

2. Payment Enclosed: Check
 Money Order
 Other

FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

<u>Large Entity</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>	
<u>Fee</u>	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Fee Description</u>
Code	(\$)	Utility application filing fee
101	740	370
106	330	Design application filing fee
107	510	Plant filing fee
108	740	Reissue filing fee
114	160	Provisional application filing fee
214	80	

SUBTOTAL (1) \$ 740.00

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

	<u>Extra Claims</u>	<u>below</u>	<u>Fee Paid</u>
Total Claims <u>11</u>	- 20** = _____	X _____	= _____
Independent Claims <u>2</u>	- 3** = _____	X _____	= _____
Multiple Dependent			

****Or number previously paid, if greater: For Reissues, see below.**

<u>Large Entity</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>			
Fee	Fee		Fee	
Code	(\$)	Code	(\$)	<u>Fee Description</u>
103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
102	84	202	42	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	280	204	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109	84	209	42	**Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	210	9	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

SUBTOTAL (2) \$

FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

<u>Large Entity</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>	<u>Fee Description</u>	<u>Fee Paid</u>
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code (\$)	
105	130	205	65 Surcharge - late filing fee or oath
127	50	227	25 Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet
139	130	139	130 Non-English specification
147	2,520	147	2,520 For filing a request for ex parte reexamination
099	8,800	099	8,800 Request for inter parties reexamination
112	920*	112	920* Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action
113	1,840*	113	1,840* Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action
115	110	215	55 Extension for reply within first month
116	400	216	200 Extension for reply within second month
117	920	217	460 Extension for reply within third month
118	1,440	218	720 Extension for reply within fourth month
128	1,960	228	980 Extension for reply within fifth month
119	320	219	160 Notice of Appeal
120	320	220	160 Filing a brief in support of an appeal
121	280	221	140 Request for oral hearing
138	1,510	138	1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding
140	110	240	55 Petition to revive – unavoidable
141	1,280	241	640 Petition to revive - unintentional
142	1,280	242	640 Utility issue fee (or reissue)
143	460	243	230 Design issue fee
144	620	244	310 Plant issue fee
122	130	122	130 Petitions to the Commissioner
123	50	123	50 Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)
126	180	126	180 Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt
581	40	581	40 Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)
146	740	246	370 For filing a submission after final rejection (see 37 CFR 1.129(a))
148	110	248	55 Statutory Disclaimer
149	740	249	370 For each additional invention to be examined (see 37 CFR 1.129(b))
179	740	279	370 Request for Continued Examination (RCE)
169	900	169	900 Request for expedited examination of a design application
195	300	195	300 Publication fee for early, voluntary, or normal pub.
196	300	196	300 Publication fee for republication
194	130	194	130 Request for voluntary publication or republication
098	130	098	130 Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) (except provisionals)
091	1,280	091	1,280 Acceptance of unintentionally delayed claim for priority

Other fee (specify) _____

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